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Attorney General John Ashcroft  
US Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

The purpose of this letter is to go on record as supporting the settlement that has been reached between Microsoft and the Department of Justice. I am relieved to see that both sides could come to an agreement and settle the antitrust issue.

The proposed settlement is fair and reasonable, and the time has come to put this matter to rest. Millions of dollars have been spent, and valuable time has been wasted in the pursuit of the Microsoft Corporation. I feel that the settlement will open-up the IT industry, foster competition, and improve the economy. Microsoft has agreed not to retaliate against competitors who produce, promote, and ship software that competes with Microsoft's. This is a giant step in the right direction since companies will not have to worry about angering Microsoft.

I support this settlement, and hope that it is approved as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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